

# A Distinction between the Phanatick Spirit, and the Spirit of God; and the Fruits of each Spirit

AS FOLLOWETH.

The Fruits of the *Phanatick Spirit* is, *Rage, Fury, Madneſs, Fooliſhneſs*: And the Fruits of the *Spirit of God* is, *Love, Joy, Peace, Gentleneſs, Righteouſneſs, true Judgement*; and gives the true Distinction, and the true Understanding.

And an Antidote, which is to ſtop and lay the Poyſon, which hath been received and drunk in by People.

FRIENDS,

**A**RE not the *Phanatick* people ſuch, as from the *Spirit of God* be degenerated, and ſo blaſted, and ſuch, as be full of fury, that worſhips and falls under bad Spirits, and lives in the invented Worſhips, and in their imaginations; and ſo with it *Phanatick*, and in it full of fury, mad, rage, blind zeal, that perſecute, and murder, and kill, and baniſh all that ſtand in his way, and falls not to that Spirit; againſt ſuch his fury goes, & madneſs, who is like a blaſted withered Tree, that the life is gone out of; which hath not the ſame Spirit that the Apoſtles had, & Chriſt; which thouſands of Chriſtians, Profeſſors and Teachers, it is the Teſtimony that they bear, and have born to people in this age and generation, That they have not the ſame Spirit and Power that the Prophets, Chriſt and the Apoſtles had; being full of rage, fury and madneſs, that would kill and ſlay, and perſecute all before them, that follow not what their mad, blind, furious, blaſted knowledge and wiſdom hath ſet up, which the ſpirit of God doth blaſt, and all their Religion and Worſhip. And ſo, are not all theſe *Phanatick* that are ſo full of Fury & Rage, that do confeſs they have not the ſame Spirit that the Prophets and Apoſtles had? And are not all they *Phanatick* that perſecute with fury and rage about Church, Worſhip and Miniſtry, ſeeing the Apoſtle ſaid, *They wreſtled not with fleſh and blood; and their weapons were not carnal but ſpiritual*? Are not all theſe carnal weaponed Profeſſors, Teachers, Paſtors, Elders, Diſciples, *Fanatick*, with their carnal Weapons, which wreſtle with fleſh and blood with carnal Weapons, and have not had the ſpiritual, which the Apoſtles had? And are not they again *Fanatick*, that in their fury and rage, have perſecuted thouſands becauſe they could not put into their mouths, and give them filthy lucre, priſoning ſuch perſecuting ſuch, which they do no work for, in their mad fury, and fooliſh rage? Again, are not they *Fanatick*, that be not in the ſpirit the Prophets and Apoſtles were in, and do not give heed to the Spirit of Chriſt which ſhould ſave mens lives, nor give heed to the Apoſtles Spirit, the Spirit of God, which had ſpiritual Weapons; but give heed to ſeducing ſpirits, the ſpirit of the Devil, who was a murderer from the beginning; and ſo in fury, rage, with carnal Weapons, *Cains Clubs*, wicked Fiſts, unholy hands, and the *Jews whips*, wil perſecute, priſon, and baniſh about Church, Worſhip and Religion? Is not this contrary to the Apoſtles Spirit, and Chriſts Spirit? And is not this the *Fanatick Spirit*? And will not the Spirit of God blaſt this? And are not all they that are gone out of the Spirit of the Apoſtles, gone out into Fancies, Whimiſies, and fooliſhneſs; and there he rages in his fooliſhneſs which he hath invented, out of the Spirit in which God is worſhipped, in which the ſpiritual Weapons are found. All them that dwell in the Spirit of God, are not *Fanatick*, but have the ſpiritual Wiſdom and Understanding, which Spirit of God was before the ſpirit of *Fanatick* was, fooliſh, mad rage, fancy, fury, which the Spirit of God is out of, and blaſts it: And who are they that rage in the Temples, rage in the furiousneſs, fooliſhneſs? And what Spirit do they fall down to, and worſhip? And when had they a command of God to do ſo, to perſecute, or to ſtir up any people to furiousneſs, which ſhews the folly of that Wiſdom, theſe that bears this Teſtimony to the World, that they have not the ſame Spirit and power that the Prophets and Apoſtles had, yet they be teaching the Prophets and Apoſtles words, and be maintained as Teachers of the Spirit, and confeſs they have not the ſame Spirit, but are full of fury, fooliſhneſs, and rage, perſecution and madneſs againſt ſuch as are in the ſame Spirit and power that the Prophets, Chriſt and the Apoſtles were in; theſe be the *Fanaticks*: But the man of God is meek, (and not furious & fooliſh, which is *Fanatick*) and his body is the temple of God: All the *Fanaticks* in the Pulpits, their Temples, their rage, and their fury appears; doth it not? Was it not the Priests that raged in the invented temples, which fell before ſuch like ſpirits to raging? And are not *Jews, Gentiles, and Apoſtate Chriſtians* raging in the temples? the *Jews* raging in that which was commanded, and the *Apoſtate Chriſtians* in that which they have invented? And are not they *Fanatick* that will ſet up Temples, Tythes, *Triſts*, which Chriſt came to end; and invent others which they have no command from God for? And is not a furious, ſo liſh, mad, perſecuting ſpirit, *Fanatick*, that would have honour before his humility? And doth not the furious, fooliſh ſpirit, worſhip the furious, fooliſh, devilliſh ſpirit, out of truth? Or doth any fooliſh, furious, which is a blaſted ſpirit, in that ſpirit, worſhip God in the ſpirit? Are not all in the *Phanatick Spirit* that are not in the ſame power the Prophets and Apoſtles were in? Can they live out of a raging ſpirit, fooliſh ſpirit, furious ſpirit, *Phanatick*, heady, mad zeal, that be out of the ſpirit the Prophets, Chriſt, and the Apoſtles were in? Are they *Phanatick* ſpirits that are in the ſame ſpirit that the Prophets, Chriſt and the Apoſtles were in? Will not they that be out of it, call them ſo? And was not Saul in the *Phanatick Spirit* when he run up and down with his Pack of Letters againſt the Chriſtians that ſeparated from the *Jews Temples*? And are not all the Priests and Profeſſors in *Chriſtendom*, the furious, fooliſh, mad raging *Phanatick* ſpirits, againſt thoſe that ſeparate from their *Diana*, who run with their Packets of Letters from Court to Court, and from Seſſion to Seſſion, to Parliaments and to Kings, to have people priſoned, whipt, baniſhed, put to death about Church, Worſhip and Religion, and Maintenance, which have not the ſpiritual Weapons? Whether the people of God (in ſcorn called *Quakers*) the elect before the World began, who are come into the meekneſs and patience (before *Phanatick* was) which wreſtles not with fleſh and blood, and carnal weapons, who liſt up their hands againſt no man, whether theſe be *Phanaticks*? or thoſe that be full of rage, madneſs and fury, that perſecute and priſon ſo many for maintenance, for whom they do no work? Whether this be not the *Phanatick* ſpirit that works in the *Apoſtate Chriſtians*, with their Racks, and priſons, and Baniſhments, *Judas* company, with ſwords and ſtaves againſt Chriſt; and the *Jews* company, with their ſtones againſt Stephen, that denied the Temple, and witneſſed the

ſubſtance? Is this the Spirit of Chriſt, the Prophets and Apoſtles, or the *Phanatick Spirit*; judge your ſelves, who are the *Phanatick* ſpirits, & where they be? Is not the *Phanatick Spirit* a furious ſpirit, a mad ſpirit, a fooliſh ſpirit, a blaſted ſpirit? Are not they that be inſpired with this, inſpired with a *Phanatick Spirit*, who are madly, & ragingly carried on, not meekly, nor in the faith that works by love, that overcomes the fury, mad and fooliſh? And are not all they that have not the ſame Spirit that the Prophets and Apoſtles had, (which had the ſpiritual Weapons) inſpired with a Propheticall fury, mad, fooliſh, blaſted ſpirit, who madly, ragingly run on with their carnal weapons againſt them that have the ſpiritual weapons? And are they which cry down deceit and wickedneſs in Rulers, Magiſtrates, Profeſſors, Priests and people, which was the work of the Prophets and holy men of God, who had the Spirit of God, are they *Phanaticks* that cry againſt ſuch things now, which be in the ſame Spirit that the Prophets and Apoſtles were in?

Hath not the furious, fooliſh, Ragingly, madly run on, the *Phanatick Spirit* amongſt Proteſtants and *Papiſts* ſince the Apoſtles dayes, ſince they loſt the Apoſtles Spirit, that meekneſs, patience, and temperance and love is loſt amongſt them?

But the fruits of the *Phanatick Spirit*, which is *Fury, Rage, Perſecution, madneſs, and Fooliſhneſs*, is found amongſt them, and may be gathered, ſo that it is not the people called *Quakers* that are the *Phanaticks*, but the fooliſh mad furious Priests and profeſſors, that have not the ſame Spirit that the Prophets and Apoſtles had. Are not they the *Fanatick* ſpirits that holds up the corruptions in Magiſtrates, Teachers, Priests, and Profeſſors; and ſuch practices, that Chriſt, and the Prophets, and the Apoſtles cried againſt? And are not all they the *Fanatick* ſpirits, that deny the order of the true Church; which is, *If any thing be revealed to another that ſits by, let the firſt hold his peace, that all may learn, and be comforted*; For the Spirits of the Prophets are ſubject to the Prophets; and are not they the *Fanatick* ſpirits that denies this Order? or, are they the *Fanatick* ſpirits that practice this order? Or, are they the *Fanatick* ſpirits whoſe weapons are ſpiritual, not carnal, and wreſtles with the powers of darkneſs, and the ſpiritual wickedneſſes; and not with fleſh and blood, and the creatures, about the Church, Worſhip, and Religion, Miniſtry and Maintenance? Are not they the *Fanatick* ſpirits that wreſtles with fleſh and blood with carnal weapons, about the Church, Worſhip, and Religion, Miniſtry and Maintenance? Can any wreſtle with his carnal weapons about Religion, Church, Worſhip, and Miniſtry, but he muſt be in the rage and fury, fooliſhneſs, and a *Fanatick* blaſted ſpirit, which be out of that Spirit that has the ſpiritual weapons? Was there ever any ſince the daies of the Apoſtles, that did perſecute about Church, worſhip, Miniſtry, and Religion, but they were in the *Fanatick Spirit*, which is fury, mad, rage, fooliſhneſs, which is judged and blaſted with the Spirit of God? And are not all they that quenches the Spirit, that checks and reproves them for ſin, that they have done, and do not turn from the ſin, Do not they riſe up in the fooliſh, furious, mad-raging-*Fanatick Spirit*, which is to be blaſted, that quenches the Spirit of God in themſelves, and vex it, and grieves it, in which they ſhould worſhip God, and pray, and ſing, and be ſober? Are not all they that meddle with Religion, Church, worſhip, Miniſtry and Maintenance, with carnal weapons, the *Phanatick* ſpirits, ſeeing the Apoſtle ſaid their weapons were ſpiritual, not carnal, with which they meddled with the Church, Miniſtry and worſhip, who preached down the *Jews*, and the carnal weapons, and their types, and figures, and ſhadows, and prieſthood, and Law, and firſt Covenant, and Temple, which was held up by them with their carnal weapons; they who were Miniſters of the Spirit, with ſpiritual weapons, wreſtled with the *Jews* that had carnal weapons, and the things aforeſaid? Are not all the Chriſtians that wreſtles with carnal weapons about the Church, worſhip, and Religion, Miniſtry and maintenance, apoſtatized from the Apoſtles, whoſe weapons were ſpiritual; and fallen into the *Fanatick*, furious, mad, raging, fooliſh, blaſted ſpirit, with weapons that be carnal, not ſpiritual; are not theſe things ſo, yea or nay?

It is a dangerous thing, to publiſh that thing to the Nation, that people cannot underſtand what it is, for that may let up *Fanatick* ſpirits that do not underſtand; For doth a fooliſh, raging, mad ſpirit underſtand? and who is more confident then a fooliſh, raging, mad ſpirit, wilful, wicked in perſecution and blind zeal? and who doth he hate more then them that be in the ſpirit and power of God that comprehends and does underſtand the *Fanatick* and his fruit, which our days every day more and more ſhall ſhew it, which comes from thoſe trees that bears not the good fruit, which tree and fruit, againſt it the arrows of the Lord do ſhoot, and againſt it his hand is turned, that is into the fire to be caſt and burned.

Is not all drunken ſpirits, gluttonous ſpirits, ſwearing ſpirits, curſing ſpirits, adulterous ſpirits, covetous ſpirits, proud ambitious ſpirits, high-minded, puſt up with pride and ambition; full of fury, rage, and a perſecuting ſpirit, like a diſtraſted man, whoſe countenance changed like Cain, and viſage with fury like Nebuchadnezar, and perſecuting as mad as Saul, and as mad as ever the *Apoſtate Chriſtians* have been ſince the Apoſtles daies? And is not this a *Fanatick* ſpirit, and the fruits of the *fanatick* ſpirit, mad, wrath, diſtraſted, like Herod, Cain, falſe-prophet, Diſel, beaſt, *Anichriſt*, falſe Chriſt, Wolfe, falſe-Church, which hath drunk the blood of the Saints, out of truth and meekneſs. And have not we caſted and handled, and ſeen and known this poiſonous *Fanatick* ſpirit?

Was not Saul in a *Fanatick* ſpirit, when he was mad, and perſecuted? Was he in a *Fanatick* ſpirit when he confeſſed this, and denied carnal weapons, but confeſſed ſpiritual? Which of theſe ſpirits is *Fanatick*, and which of theſe ſpirits is now *Chriſtendom* found in? In the ſpirit of Saul a mad man, a perſecuter, with his pack of Letters, Or in the ſpirit that wreſtles not with fleſh and blood, and wreſtles not with carnal weapons, but with ſpiritual? Whether this be the *Fanatick* ſpirit, yea, or nay?

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